

## Fact Sheet

**Overview:** Factoria Recycling & Transfer Station was constructed in the mid-1960s on 8.16 acres of land located near Factoria in the City of Bellevue. The facility consists of an open-sided, direct-dump style transfer building, a scalehouse, and limited trailer parking areas. The existing station does not offer recycling services, but does offer Household Hazardous Waste collection. It is bordered by a commercial park zoned for light industry to the west and the north, primarily undeveloped land to the south, and office parks to the east. The station services residents and businesses from the Bellevue, Issaquah, Mercer Island, and Sammamish areas.

Construction of the new Factoria station began in September 2014 in order to meet service needs such as space for collecting recyclable materials, minimum roof clearance needed by modern, larger garbage collection vehicles and the ability to compact waste. The new facility will be built in the same general area as the existing station, will meet current building and environmental standards, and will accommodate projected growth in the region. The existing station will remain open to customers throughout construction, which is scheduled to last until December 2017.

Location: 13800 SE 32nd St, Bellevue, WA 98005

## **Hours of operation:**

Transfer Station Hours HHW Service Hours
Mon-Fri: 6:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tues-Fri: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sat & Sun: 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 pm Sat & Sun: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon: closed

Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day

**What happens to the waste?** The waste is transported by county employees in trailers from Factoria to the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill, 18 miles away. Read about what happens to household hazardous waste below.

## 2014 at a glance

- Who are the customers? 82 percent of visits were made by self-haul customers, who
  contributed 19 percent of the total solid waste received at the station. Commercial customers
  contributed 81 percent of total the solid waste with 18 percent of the visits.
- **Tons of solid waste disposed:** 114,245. This constitutes 15 percent of solid waste at all King County transfer stations.
- Total customer visits: 91,280
- **HHW** services provided: The station offers Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection services. Materials accepted include batteries (household, vehicle, or marine), thermostats, thermometers, mercury-containing light bulbs and tubes, oil-based paints, thinners and solvents, motor oil, propane and butane tanks, household cleaners, lawn and garden products, glues and adhesives, automotive products, antifreeze, flammable liquids, and marine and road flares. Wastes collected through these services are recycled, reused, or incinerated when necessary. None of the collected household hazardous waste materials is disposed at the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill. **Note:** This service is available for households and pre-approved small quantity generators only.



Commercial vehicle ramp to tipping floor



A household hazardous waste (HHW) transfer station operator sorts HHW



Main entrance to Factoria Transfer Station



Department of Natural Resources and Parks Solid Waste Division

## Notable features of the new station will include:

- A new recycling collection area for cardboard, commingled recyclable materials (including paper, glass bottles and jars, aluminum and tin/steel cans, plastic bottles, cups, jugs, tubs, clamshells), as well as yard waste, clean wood, appliances and scrap metal
- · More efficient household hazardous waste collection
- An enclosed solid waste transfer building with adequate roof clearance, which will minimize noise, dust, and odors
- Pre-load garbage compactors that will improve efficiency and decrease the number of transfer trailer trips required to and from the station
- More space for vehicle queuing inside the station
- Sustainable building design features that will improve energy efficiency and result in lower life cycle costs than a conventional building design
- More space to process projected future volumes of solid waste and to expand recycling as needed



Excavation starts for the new Factoria Recycling and Transfer Station



Floor ready for concrete

